

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 6, please amend the fifth paragraph as follows:

In one form, the ~~first~~ second layer is made from a flexible material.

Page 6, please amend the eighth paragraph as follows:

In one form, the cap has a first portion that projects a first distance from the upright ~~walls~~ wall in the one horizontal direction and a second portion that projects a second distance from the upright wall oppositely to the one horizontal direction. The first and second distance may be different.

Page 9, please amend the second full paragraph as follows.

The invention is further directed to a transition strip for accommodating adjacent edge portions of layers on a horizontal support surface upon which the transition strip is operatively placed. The transition strip has a horizontal wall, an upright wall, projecting angularly and upwardly away from the horizontal wall and having first and second oppositely facing surfaces, and a cap on the upright wall. The cap, horizontal wall, and first surface on the upright wall cooperatively ~~defining~~ define a U-shaped first receptacle opening in one horizontal direction to receive an edge portion of a one layer on a support surface upon which the transition strip is operatively placed. The cap, second surface on the upright wall and an upwardly facing surface on a horizontal support upon which the transition strip is operatively placed cooperatively define a U-shaped second receptacle opening

oppositely to the one horizontal direction to receive an edge portion of another layer on a support surface upon which the transition strip is operatively placed. The upright wall and cap are substantially rigid and rigidly interconnected so that the upright wall and cap have a substantially fixed relative orientation.

Page 18, please amend the first two paragraphs as follows:

A = ~~[[0.125]]~~ 0.226 inch;

B = ~~[[0.226]]~~ 0.125 inch;

Page 19, please amend the last paragraph as follows:

By providing weakening cuts and cutouts on each of the horizontal wall 44, ~~upright wall 46~~, and cap sections 54, 56, a universal design can be offered which can be bent in complexly, and oppositely, curved shapes, as desired.